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General Comment

I oppose adoption of the proposed draft TMDL for the Dhesapeake Bay for the following reasons:

The model used by EPA is flawed. I urge you to cosider the model revisions developed by the New York State Dept. of Environmental Conservation in their Watershed Implementation Plan.

The proposed rule imposes a disproportionate and unfair burden of compliance on New York State, its small farmers, municipalities, residents with septic systems, and taxpayers.

New York's excellent record of watershed management should be recognized, not punished with these excessive requirements.

The proposed rule will introduce an additional, unnecessary element of cost and uncertainty in the ongoing discussion of the pros and cons of development of natural gas resources which underlie a large portion of the Chesapeake Bay watershed. This process

should be left to the state regulatory authorities who are vested with responsibility for this local matter without interference, intended or inadvertant, by EPA .

Again.....I repeat.....I am opposed to the proposed draft.

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